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24 September 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Visit [REDACTED]

1. On 16 September, the undersigned met with [REDACTED] of Westover, SPPT, Mass, at the [REDACTED] facilities. The purpose of this visit was to review the R&D status of the High Speed Processors along with the associated Dry Silver reproduction material to be used and to determine the future courses of action to be taken so that a schedule could be planned for this program.

2. Personnel of the [REDACTED] presented the status of the latest Dry Silver material formulated for reconnaissance reproduction. Col. [REDACTED] stated that it would be best to initiate the evaluation of the equipment and present reproduction material so that a system of feed-back could be started, thereby generating data for improvement of the system as testing progresses. [REDACTED] production manager, stated that, while production was increasing, the present recovery rate was 15-20%, using defect levels that had been arbitrarily established due to a lack of standards. [REDACTED] stated that the Westover System Performance was only +/-20% with [REDACTED] wet silver material. He said that his quality control man [REDACTED] would be made available to help establish some standards for the Dry Silver material to be delivered to Westover. He also suggested grading the experimental films, Grade #1, Grade #2, etc., for use in the various parts of the equipment testing, so that material waste could be minimized. [REDACTED] said that he would notify his personnel that October 15, 1969 would be the date set for factory acceptance of the High Speed Processors. December 1, 1969 was set for Westover acceptance.

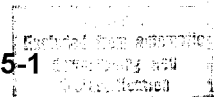
3. [REDACTED] production manager, gave the following schedule for production of the Dry Silver film to be produced to support the processor testing program:

First run--(September 22)--1,000 yards--on general grade mylar base
October----1,000 yards--4 mil photographic grade mylar base
November---1,000 yards--50%-70% heat relaxed mylar base
December---1,000 yards-heat relaxed mylar base
February---2,000 yards-heat relaxed mylar base
April-----2,000 yards-heat relaxed mylar base

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4. From May 1970 it is expected that the recovery rates would increase at a rate of 1,000 yards per month until all needs were met.

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